16th December, 1996, 1st September, 1997 and 23rd July, 1998 has demanded creation of National Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Development Authority for Centralized formulation of the policy and monitoring all the development schemes and projects for the development of the SCs/STs;

(b) if so, the action taken thereon; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The matter was referred to the Planning Commission, which did not find favour the proposal on the ground that the setting up National SC/ ST Development Authority would delink them from the mainstream of development administration and that this would seriously constrain their effectiveness, besides involving heavy administrative expenditure to make the new arrangement work.

Grant-in-aid to voluntary organisations in some States

5277. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount given as grant-in-aid to voluntary organization during the last three years in each State by her Ministry;

(b) the number of organizations working, particularly in Gujart, Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh;

(c) whether the utilization certificates have been furnished by the organisations; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINSITRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) Details are given in attached Statements -I and II (*See* below)

(c) and (d) Utilisation certificates for amounts released previously and annual accounts duly audited by the chartered accountants are insisted upon before releasing the subsequent instalments of grant-in-aid to an organization.

STATEMENT -I

Amount given as grant-in-aid to voluntary Organisations during last three years to each State

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No.	Name of the States/UT	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
1.	Andhra Pradesh	960.34	1520.66	2380.74
2.	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0	0.55
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	9.28	3.71	13.00
4.	Assam	20.30	107.40	225.50
5.	Bihar	263.66	232.05	237.31
6.	Chandigrah	8.94	35.05	30.67
7.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	3.21	0.00	0.00
8.	Delhi	458.92	1353.76	1456.23
9.	Goa	16.87	16.00	36.17
10.	Gujarat	140.60	223.07	350.49
11.	Himachal Pradesh	12.25	49.20	67.65
12.	Haryana	241.51	315.39	246.23
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	15.16	43.20	33.88
14.	Karnataka	448.25	579.882	1009.40
15.	Kerala	336.38	1041.15	633.24
16.	Madhya Pradesh	120.28	185.24	297.45
17.	Maharashtra	193.23	509.42	866.03
18.	Manipur	123.73	314.33	388.55
19.	Meghalaya	6.50	26.24	27.38
20.	Mizoram	34.27	56.27	78.11
21.	Nagaland	28.31	32.05	49.86
22.	Orissa	295.93	781.86	973.77
23.	Pondichery	10.82	20.32	19.88
24.	Punjab	121.62	288.97	274.75
25.	Rajasthan	249.97	474.95	610.41
26.	Sikkim	2.06	1.73	3.12
27.	Tamil Nadu	348.78	450.96	761.77
28.	Tripura	28.58	42.65	26.18
29.	Uttar Pradesh	802.83	1724.79	2939.22
30.	West Bengal	599.37	569.19	115.26

STATEMENT-II

Number of NGOs Assisted State-wise

Sl. No.	Name of the States/UT	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
1.	Andhra Pradesh	214	390	323
2.	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0	1
3.	Arunachal Pradesh	3	2	2
4.	Assam	10	29	37
5.	Bihar	51	59	37
6.	Chandigrah	1	12	5
7.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	1	0	0
8.	Delhi	50	99	53
9.	Goa	4	3	6
10.	Gujarat	28	118	60
11.	Himachal Pradesh	2	4	4
12.	Haryana	48	63	59
13.	Jammu & Kashmir	5	7	9
14.	Karnataka	92	94	133
15.	Kerala	58	74	82
16.	Lakshadweep	4	0	0
17.	Madhya Pradesh	39	88	60
18.	Maharashtra	81	132	151
19.	Manipur	33	82	108
20.	Meghalaya	7	4	6
21.	Mizoram	6	5	9
22.	Nagaland	4	4	8
23.	Orissa	78	183	149
24.	Pondichery	2	4	8
25.	Punjab	25	46	49
26.	Rajasthan	20	39	40
27.	Sikkim	1	1	1
28.	Tamil Nadu	85	113	132
29.	Tripura	9	9	11
30.	Uttar Pradesh	262	338	349
31.	West Bengal	128	167	155